GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3215
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DISCOVERY OF REMAINS OF ANCIENT CIVILIZATION IN BIHAR
NIKHIL KUMAR CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the joint-team comprising members from Archaeological Survey of India and Sonaghati Archaeology Council have discovered the remains of ancient civilization at Naur in Aurangabad district and Kabra Kalan in Palamu district of Bihar ;

(b) If so, the details thereof alongwith the period of the abovesaid civilization ; and

(c) the efforts being made by the Government for the preservation and protection of the abovesaid sites of archaeological importance ?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTH KUMAR)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The exploration brought to light ancient sites at Naur in Aurangabad district and Kabra Kalan in Palamu district of Bihar, both multi - cultural mounds yielding materials of the Early Historical, Gupta and Medieval periods in addition to Chalcolithic pottery at the former and ground and polished stone tools at the latter.

(c) No proposal is under consideration for protection of above said sites.